

Guidelines for Zika virus testing in Louisiana

The Louisiana Department of Health will provide laboratory testing at the state's public health laboratory for individuals that meet the following criteria:

1. Individuals with 1 or more symptoms with history of travel to area with risk of Zika (see travel map included in section 2 of binder)
2. Individuals with 2 or more symptoms without history of travel to area with risk of Zika
3. Pregnant women who have recently traveled to, or lived in, area with risk of Zika, regardless of symptoms
4. Pregnant women that have recently had unprotected sex with someone who lives in or traveled to an area with risk of Zika, regardless of symptoms
5. Infants born with birth defects, regardless of mother's history of travel
6. Infants born to a mother that tested positive for Zika

Please refer to the instructions for collecting and shipping specimens located in section 1 of this binder. All specimens must be pre-approved by the Louisiana Department of Health's Epidemiology Department before submission: 800-256-2748